GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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CONSTRUCTION OF SEA PORT IN WEST BENGAL
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Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to construct a sea port in West Bengal;

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the proposals received from the State Government in this regard; and

(c) the time by which the said port is likely to become functional?

Answer

MINISTER OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI T.R. BAALU)

(a) to (c): A proposal was received from the Chief Minister of West Bengal for undertaking a detailed techno-feasibility study for setting up of a modern deep seaport of international standard in the State of West Bengal. The Government has agreed to undertake a feasibility study in order to select a suitable location for setting up of a modern port on the coastline of West Bengal. No specific timeframe can be prescribed at this stage.